MINUTES OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

CR-08-00002-002

January 14, 2008 9:10 a.m.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA -V- LUIS KAIPAT PELISAMEN

PRESENT: HON. ALEX R. MUNSON, CHIEF JUDGE PRESIDING

K. LYNN LEMIEUX, COURTROOM DEPUTY SANAE N. SHMULL, COURT REPORTER LUIS KAIPAT PELISAMEN, DEFENDANT

LOREN SUTTON, COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY FOR DEFENDANT

ERIC O'MALLEY, ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY

PROCEEDINGS: ARRAIGNMENT

Defendant appeared with court-appointed counsel, Attorney Loren Sutton. Government was represented by Eric O'Malley, AUSA.

Defendant was sworn and examined as to his understanding of his constitutional rights, his right to trial and his understanding of the proceedings.

Defendant waived reading of the indictment and pled **NOT GUILTY** to the charges against him. Court set jury trial for **March 17, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.** Pretrial motions shall be filed by **January 25, 2008.**

Government moved that the defendant could be out on bail if there were sufficient conditions set. No argument from the Defense at this time and reserved the right for a motion for bail at a later time.

Court granted the Government's motion, without prejudice, and remanded the defendant into the custody of the U.S. Marshal until further order of the Court.

Adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

/s/K. Lynn Lemieux, Courtroom Deputy